

to live with earnings. In two weeks he has become almost certain that he intends to return George Burns, the Utica outfielder, to the Yankees. He has had Mac Mahon, the old Baltimore pitcher, and McGraw's scout, Burns, has come along in wonderful style. He has picked up the fallaway slide, and can go in from either side with equal facility. He hits well, and is very fast. Almost certainly McGraw has a converted catcher and only lacks aggressiveness.

Then McGraw gives McGraw three utility outfielders, if he retains Beals Becker and Harry McCormack, the come-back. It seems unlikely that the Yankees can get any more out of her to advantage. He has embarrassment of riches for his infield. There isn't a hole in the infield. She will get away from him, and the same seems to be true of Arthur Slater, another infielder. There will be Artie, the veteran third baseman, who is spacing out at first. Add to these Bues and Stock, both of whom McGraw has had in the past. McGraw has more infielders than he could be expected to handle.

Some of them, presently, have to go, and the time for the going is drawing near.